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FOR STATE/AID

E.O. 11652: ADS (DECLAS 6/8/75)

TAGS: EGEN, EAID, CB

SUBJECT: RICE SITUATION

1. FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 16, 1974 THROUGH JANUARY 5, 1975,  
THE RICE SUPPLY/DISTRIBUTION IN PHNOM PENH AS AS FOLLOWS (ALL  
FIGURES IN METRIC TONS):

BEGINNING STOCK 12/16/74	22,391.00
ARRIVALS: (A) MEKONG (US RICE)	26,543.00
(B) RT 5/TONLE SAP (LOCAL RICE)	1,800.00
TOTAL AVAILABILITY	50,734.00
LESS DISTRIBUTION	16,394.00
BALANCE	34,340.00

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LESS INVENTORY ADJUSTMENTS	2,061.00
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NET CLOSING STOCK 1/5/75            32,279.00

2. STOCK POSITION, AT COB JANUARY 5, GOVERNMENT STOCKS IN PHNOM PENH TOTALLED 32,279 MT OF WHICH 17,229 MT WERE US RICE, 13,186 MT LOCAL RICE, AND 1,864 MT BROKENS. BASED ON A PROJECTED AVERAGED DAILY CONSUMPTION OF 750 MT THE STOCK ON JANUARY 5 REPRESENTS A 43-DAY SUPPLY. ON THE SAME BASIS THE STOCK OF US RICE IN ITSELF AMOUNTS TO A 23-DAY SUPPLY.

3. DISTRIBUTION. ACTUAL DAILY DISTRIBUTION IN DECEMBER AVERAGED 773.6 MT. DISTRIBUTION IN THE LAST 10 DAYS OF THE REPORTING PERIOD HAS AVERAGED 422.3 MT. STARTING JANUARY 1, THE RICE COMMITTEE HAS DECIDED TO REDUCE SOMEWHAT RICE QUOTAS FOR THE FIRST 3 MONTHS OF 1975 IN VIEW OF A LIMITED AVAILABILITY OF NEWLY HARVESTED LOCAL RICE ON OPEN MARKETS IN PHNOM PENH AND IN THOSE PROVINCES DRAWING RICE SUPPLIES FROM THE CAPITAL FOR THE GREATER PART OF THE YEAR. ON THIS BASIS, WE PROJECT AN AVERAGE DAILY DISTRIBUTION OF 750 MT IN JANUARY.

4. ARRIVALS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD:

A. MEKONG CONVOYS (GVN RICE)	DATE	MT
12/16	597	
MEKONG CONVOYS (US RICE)	12/16	8,145
12/24	7,726	
12/28	10,075	
B. RT 5/TONLE SAP (LOCAL RICE)	12/18	1,800

5. SCHEDULE OF ARRIVALS. THE MEKONG CONVOY SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE JANUARY 5 HAS BEEN POSTPONED DUE TO HEAVY ENEMY ACTION ON THE WEST BANK OF THE RIVER. AT PRESENT THERE ARE 10,715 MT OF US RICE IN SAIGON AWAITING SHIPMENT TO PHNOM PENH.  
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